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This publication lists the periodic reports of Agricultural Economics, tells where and how you can get the ones you want, and approximately when most of them will be issued.

The crop and livestock reports publish new figures, with little or no economic analysis. The outlook and situation reports supply the economic analysis a little later, in terms of supplies of particular products, demand for those products, and the resulting outlook for prices and farm income.

Some of the situation reports also publish important statistics for the first time. Among these are The Farm Income Situation--first estimates of gross farm income, production expenses, net farm income, and cash receipts; The National Food Situation--per capita food consumption; and The Marketing and Transportation Situation--price spreads or marketing charges, and farmers' share of the consumers' food dollar. The Demand and Price Situation and the commodity situation reports are summarized in the Agricultural Outlook Digest. A few tables are published for the first time in the Statistical Summary, a round-up of current agricultural statistics.

If you need county figures you will usually have to get them from the Census of Agriculture taken every 5 years by the Bureau of the Census, U. S. Department of Commerce. In some States and for some subjects, the State Agricultural Statistician may be able to supply later county estimates.

The U. S. Department of Agriculture annually publishes Agricultural Statistics, containing current and historical data. A limited free distribution is made to agricultural libraries and members of Congress. Copies of Agricultural Statistics are sold by the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D. C.

Three periodicals are issued covering statistical and economic findings and summarizing new developments in marketing research. Agricultural Situation reviews this material in relation to its effect on farmers. Agricultural Economics Research publishes technical statistical and economic research and methodology. The Farm INDEX reports in nontechnical language on economic research.

Reports are issued from Washington, D. C., unless noted otherwise. If you want a sample copy of any report, or want to be added to a mailing list, write to the address at the beginning of the section in which the report is listed, and explain as specifically as possible what you want.



# STATISTICAL REPORTING SERVICE PERIODICALS

## Crop and Livestock Reports

The Crop Reporting Board of the Statistical Reporting Service issues a large number of periodic reports on crop production and related information. The reports are given general distribution by press, radio, and television. Copies of the reports are available immediately after release. Mailing lists are maintained for the prompt distribution of the majority of the reports. If you want sample copies or to be added to mailing lists to receive specific reports regularly, write to the Crop Reporting Board, Statistical Reporting Service, U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington 25, D. C., or to the field office issuing the report.

Reports, unless otherwise specified, are issued by the Washington office for the country as a whole and generally include estimates by States. Segments are reissued through the 43 offices of the State agricultural statisticians, with emphasis on local conditions. Information concerning State reports may be obtained from offices listed below.

### Agricultural Statisticians in Charge of Field Offices<sup>1</sup>

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# Agricultural Statisticians (continued)

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<sup>3</sup>For Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Vermont.

<sup>4</sup>For Nevada also.

1963 Calendar of release dates for major crop, livestock and price reports<sup>1</sup>

Title	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Cotton Production (11:00 A.M.).....					8		8	8	9	8	8	9
Crop Production (3:00 P.M.).....	10	11	11	10	10	10	10	9	10	10	12	10
Prospective Plantings. ....			20									
Annual Summary.....												18
1964 Winter Wheat and Rye Seedings.....												19
Crop Values (3:00 P.M.).....												18
<u>Field and Seed Crops</u>												
Field and Seed Crops - Annual Summary.....					6							
Grain Stocks In All Positions.....	24			24			24	19	18	24	18	18
Naval Stores Report.....	18	18	18	18	17	18	18					
Annual Summary.....					15							
Peanut Stocks and Processing.....	24	25	25	24	24	24	24	23	24	24	25	24
Popcorn.....								9				18
Potatoes and Sweetpotatoes - Annual Summary...								8				
Potato Sales, U. S., Utilization of.....												24
Potato Stocks.....												18
Rice Stocks.....	15	13	13						9			
Seed Crop Forecasts.....	24			24					3	24		x
Other Seed Reports.....			x			x	x	x	x	x		18,27,31
Soybeans Harvested for Beans, by Counties....			21					6,22				
Stocks of Hops.....			20					1	20			
<u>Fruits and Nuts</u>												
Apples - Production by Varieties.....												2
Bush berries.....						26	24	20				18
Cranberries - Indicated Production (1:00 P.M.)				16						4		
Fruits, citrus - Annual Summary.....												
Fruits, Noncitrus, Annual Summary, Part I <sup>2</sup> ...					3		1					
Part II <sup>2</sup> .....						20		2				
Sour Cherry Report.....												
Tree Nuts - Annual Summary.....												
<u>Vegetables</u>												
Onion Stocks in Storage.....	15											
Vegetables - Fresh Market.....	10	11	11	10	10	10	10	9	10	10	12	10, 18
N. Y. Cabbage Stocks.....	10											10
Vegetables - Processing.....	10											18
Cucumbers for Pickles Stocks.....												
Monthly Celery Report (Fla., Calif., Ariz.)...	10		11	10, 19	10, 23	10, 21	10, 22	9	10	10	12	12
Weekly Tomato Report (Fla. and Texas).....	4	4	4	4	6	4	5	5	4	4	4	4
Tuesday or Wednesday of each week during planting and harvesting season												
<u>Milk and Dairy Products</u>												
Evaporated, Condensed and Dry Milk Reports....	31	28	29	30	31	28	31	30	30	31	38	31
Fluid Milk and Cream Report.....	17	18	18	17	17	18	18	16	17	18	18	17

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Title	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
<u>Milk and Dairy Products--Continued</u>												
Milk Production.....	11	13	12	11	13	11	11	12	11	11	13	11
Milk - Farm Production.....				19								
Milk Production and Dairy Products, Annual Statistical Summary.....		20					30					
Production of Manufactured Dairy Products, 1962 Reports released at Chicago - See Page 5:												
Production of Cottage Cheese.....	29	27	28	29	29	27	30	29	27	29	28	27
Production of Creamery Butter & Cheese....	28	26	27	26	28	26	26	28	26	25	27	26
Production of Ice Cream & Related Frozen Products.....	23	21	22	23	22	21	24	23	20	23	22	20
Milk Prices Paid by Creameries and Cheese Plants, by States.....	31	28	29	30	31	28	31	30	30	31	29	30
Weekly American Cheese Production.....	Wednesday of each week throughout the year.											
Weekly American Cheese Warehouse Report....	Wednesday of each week throughout the year.											
Weekly Creamery Butter Production.....	Tuesday of each week throughout the year.											
<u>Livestock and Livestock Products<sup>3</sup></u>												
Cattle and Calves Reports.....	16	8,20	8	16	9	11	17,22	12	9	17	8	10
Commercial Livestock Slaughter and Meat Production (3:00 P.M.).....	31	28	29	30	31	28	31	30	30	31	29	31
1962 Revisions by States and Months and Total Livestock Slaughter, Meat and Lard Production.....				26								
Honey - Annual Summary (3:00 P.M.).....	28						26			8		
Other Honey Reports.....							26					
Livestock and Poultry Inventory, Jan. 1, 1963		13		29								
Meat Animals - Annual Summary.....							30					
Meat Meal and Tankage Production.....	30											
Meat Prices.....							30					
Mohair Production and Value, 1962.....						21						
Pig Crop Report.....		27	21			21			19			23
Sheep and Lamb Reports.....	11	21	13			21	23				13	
Shipments of Stocker and Feeder Cattle & Sheep	25	25	25	25	24	25	25	26	26	25	25	27
Direct Shipments, N.C. States, 1962 by Mos.		4										
Shorn Wool Production, 1963.....							26					
Wool Prices.....		27				21						
Wool Production and Value, 1962.....												
Special Range Reports:												
Cattle on Pastures (Sections of Kansas and Oklahoma).....						12	9	8	11	9	8	11
Western Range and Livestock Report.....	9	8	8	9	9	7			13	14	13	13
Special Wheat Pasture Report.....												

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Title	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
<b>Poultry and Eggs</b>												
Broiler Chicks Placed in 22 States.....			4	22								
Chickens and Eggs, Commercial Broilers--Annual			1									
Chickens and Eggs--Layers & Egg Production Mo.			8									
Chickens and Eggs, Layers and Rate of Lay												
First of Month.....												
Chickens - Number Raised, 1963.....		4					22					
Commercial Broilers Prod. in 22 States, 1962.	25	25	25	25	24	25	25	26	25	25	25	26
Egg Products--Liquid, Frozen Solids, Production	16	15	15	16	17	14	16	16	13	16	15	13
Hatchery Production.....			15									
Revisions for 1962.....	2,30		4	1,29	29		1,30	29		1,30		2
Poultry - Slaughter and Processing.....												
Poultry Inventory (See Livestock and Poultry												
Inventory, Jan. 1, 1963).....												
Pullet Chicks for Broiler Hatchery Supply Flocks	15	13	15	15	15	14	15	15	16	15	15	16
Turkeys and Chickens Tested.....	17	18	18	17	17	17	17	19	17	17	18	17
Turkey Breeder Hens, Jan. 1, 1963.....		13										
Turkey Breeder Hens, 1964 Intentions.....												
Turkeys - Raised 1963 Intentions.....	18									18		
Turkeys Raised, 1963.....								29				
Turkeys - Annual Summary.....				2								
Report released at St. Paul - see Page 4												
Weekly Turkey Report												
Report released at Richmond - see Page 5												
Weekly Broiler Report												
<b>Other Reports</b>												
Agricultural Prices (3:00 P.M.).....	31	28	29	30	31	28	31	30	30	31	29	30
Agricultural Prices, Annual Summary.....												
Cold Storage Report (2:00 P.M.).....	15	15	15	15	15	14	15	15	16	15	15	16
Regional Cold Storage Holdings for 1962				1								
Cut Flowers, 6 States.....	10	11	11	10	10	20	10	9	10	10	12	10
Farm Labor.....												
Farm Numbers.....		x										
Nursery Products, 6 States.....						20						

<sup>1</sup>Actual titles are given unless several reports with different titles but similar content are released during the month or year, in which case reports are grouped under one heading. The symbol 'x' in the columns means that no specific date has been set for the release of the report, or in the case of Seed Crop Forecasts, it means that several reports on different seeds are issued during the month. A more detailed schedule and description of the contents of the various crop and livestock reports is available separately, on request. Ask for "1963 Crop and Livestock Reports--Content and dates of release."

<sup>2</sup>Part I - Apricots, sweet and sour cherries, figs, grapes, nectarines, peaches, pears, persimmons, plums, pomegranates, prunes, and bush berries. Part II - Apples, avocados, cranberries, dates, and olives.

<sup>3</sup>Washington, D. C. reports released at 12:00 noon, unless otherwise specified.

## Other SRS Periodicals<sup>5</sup>

Agricultural Situation, a printed monthly periodical, contains brief reviews of current marketing and economic developments affecting farmers. Free distribution of Agricultural Situation is limited to voluntary unpaid crop, livestock and price reporters, county agents and other local agricultural workers, and to libraries, the press, and Government officials. Subscriptions may be purchased for 50 cents a year (foreign \$1.00). Make checks payable to the Superintendent of Documents and send orders to the U. S. Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D. C.

Statistical Summary, prepared for ready-reference desk use, is a 4-page roundup of current agricultural statistics. In addition to summaries of crop and livestock production, certain tables are issued first in this publication. Among such tables are: Cash receipts from marketings, by States; index of volume of farm marketings; farm-retail price spreads and farmer's share of the consumer's dollar; and (from July through December) indexes of farm output, including both livestock and crops, acreage and per acre yields. It is issued each month as soon as possible following the release of the Crop Production report (usually about the 20th).

### ECONOMIC RESEARCH SERVICE PERIODICALS

For sample copies of any reports listed in this section and all following sections write to the Division of Information, Management Operations Staff, Agricultural Economics, U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington 25, D. C. If you wish to be added to any of the mailing lists maintained for free distribution of these reports, your request should be addressed to the Division of Administrative Services (ML), Management Operations Staff, Agricultural Economics, U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington 25, D. C.

#### Costs and Returns on Typical Farms

Results of a continuing nationwide study of costs and returns on typical farms and ranches by type and size in some of the important farming regions of the United States are reported in the following annual publications.

Farm Costs and Returns. . . Commercial Farms, by Type, Size, and Location, issued annually in the Agriculture Information Bulletin series, presents summary results of farm operations in the year preceding the year of issue for about 40 important types of commercial farms in major producing areas of the United States. Comparisons with previous years are included.

FCR series include, for the types of farms named, the following information: Size of farm, land use, numbers of livestock, crop and livestock production, investment, cash receipts, cash expenditures, net cash farm income, value of perquisites, changes in inventories of livestock and machinery and buildings, net farm income, charge for capital, and return to operator and family labor. Index numbers are included for 11 important summary items. A map shows the location of each type of farm studied. Tables show the amount of land, labor, and capital associated with each type of farm studied. Publications in this series are:

Costs and Returns, Commercial Dairy Farms, Northeast and Midwest

Costs and Returns, Commercial Corn Belt Farms

Costs and Returns, Commercial Broiler Farms, Maine and Delmarva

Costs and Returns, Commercial Egg-Producing Farms, New Jersey

Costs and Returns, Commercial Cotton Farms

Costs and Returns, Commercial Tobacco Farms, Coastal Plain, North Carolina

Costs and Returns, Commercial Tobacco-Livestock Farms, Bluegrass Area, Kentucky

Costs and Returns, Commercial Wheat Farms, Plains and Pacific Northwest

Costs and Returns, Western Livestock Ranches

#### Production and Efficiency

Changes in Farm Production and Efficiency is an annual publication designed to present major statistical series on farm production, production inputs, and efficiency. A brief digest of what each series shows to date is included as is an explanation of the methods used in developing each statistical measure. The publication provides in one place the latest information for each of

<sup>5</sup>Use addresses in first paragraph of next section for ordering sample copies or addition to mailing list.



the several series that have been developed to appraise production trends, changes in farm inputs and practices, uses of cropland, animal units of breeding livestock, improvement in labor productivity, and the progress of farm mechanization.

Four supplements containing detailed data by farm production regions are issued. Supplement I contains index numbers of farm production for each of certain groups of livestock and crops, Supplement II contains acreages of cropland used for crops, Supplement III contains man-hours of farm labor used for each of these groups, and Supplement IV contains index numbers of farm production per man-hour for each group.

Animal Units of Livestock Fed Annually, issued annually as a Statistical Bulletin, reports changes in rates of feed consumed per animal unit in terms of livestock numbers (including poultry), converted to index numbers weighted by feed consumption. Four sets of index numbers are presented by States: (1) animal units based on consumption of feed grains and other concentrates, 1909 to date; (2) animal units based on consumption of roughages, including pasture, 1909 to date; (3) animal units based on all feed including pasture, 1909 to date; and (4) animal units based on consumption of high protein feeds, 1940 to date.

Livestock-Production Units, issued annually as a Statistical Bulletin, reports changes in rates of feed consumption per livestock-production unit for the United States, in terms of production of livestock and livestock products converted to index numbers weighted by feed consumption. Two sets of livestock-production units are presented for the years 1910 to date: (1) units based on consumption of feed grains and other concentrates, and (2) units based on all feed including pasture.

### Farm Finance Reports

The Agricultural Finance Review is issued annually and an annual supplement is issued later in the year. The Review discusses current developments and research findings in the various phases of agricultural finance. In addition, it is a basic source of financial data pertaining to agriculture in the United States. As such, it is intended for use by agricultural groups, government officials, economists, and educators who have need for a ready compilation of material relating to agricultural finance.

Signed articles by research specialists or officials of operating agencies and brief news items cover important developments in the changing financial situation of agriculture and in the financial institutions that serve agriculture. Research findings and analyses relate to such subjects as sources of capital used in agriculture, farm-mortgage credit, non-real-estate credit, financing of specialized activities such as purchase of machinery and storage of commodities, agricultural risk and insurance, farm bankruptcies, farm real estate values and transfers, taxation of farms and of farmers, and the interrelations of agriculture and public finance.

A statistical appendix contains detailed data by States and by geographic divisions.

The Review carries a list of current research activities in agricultural finance as reported by Federal and State agencies. Reviews of pertinent books are included.

The Balance Sheet of Agriculture, issued annually, carries forward the comparative balance sheet of agriculture first prepared for 1940. Each balance sheet is as of January 1 of the year it is issued. The balance sheet views agriculture as though it were one large enterprise. It is an aggregate of individual series of farm assets and the claims to these assets. In effect, it is comparable to a consolidated balance sheet of all farms, but it is not restricted to the assets and debts of farm operators. It includes, in addition, the farm assets owned and the farm-mortgage debt owed by nonoperators.

The Agricultural Finance Outlook, issued each fall, includes information concerning the farm income situation, the farm income outlook, the financial condition of farmers, farm real estate, farm debts, farm financial assets, farm taxes, insurance, and the regional situation and outlook.

Farm Real Estate Taxes, an annual publication, shows the amount per acre and the amount per \$100 of full value levied on farm real estate, by years and by States and geographic division. Total taxes levied by years are also included.

Farm Real Estate Debt is an annual publication usually released about August. This publication shows the total amount of farm-mortgage debt outstanding and the amounts held by principal lender groups for the United States for a number of years and by States for the most recent year. Beginning with the August 1961 issue it is in the RED series. From 1956 through 1960, it was in the ARS-43 series.

Farm-Mortgage Lending Experience is a quarterly report of selected life insurance companies, the Federal land banks and the Farmers Home Administration. It shows a comparison of the mortgages owned at the beginning of the quarter, the mortgages acquired and repaid during the quarter and the mortgages owned at the end of the quarter for the different lending agencies. A number of other items are included for the different lending agencies, such as mortgage loan commitments, and mortgages in process of foreclosure. Beginning with the publication of July 1961 (data for the first quarter of 1961) it is in the FML series. Publications covering the 4th quarter of 1956 through the 4th quarter of 1960 were in the ARS-43 series.

Farm Real Estate Market Developments, issued three times a year, summarizes significant facts on trends in farmland values, volume of sales, financing farm purchases, and influences that affect the land market. Index numbers of estimated average value per acre, by States, are included in each issue. Graphic material is included occasionally.

For tables showing taxes and values of farm real estate over a period of years, as well as other pertinent information, see Agricultural Statistics, issued by the United States Department of Agriculture, Washington 25, D. C.

## Situation and Outlook Reports<sup>6</sup>

The situation reports listed below carry current outlook materials and an annual statement--published at the time of year when the farmer can make use of such data in preparing his production and marketing plans for the coming year. Every year 1 complete issue of each Situation report is devoted to outlook information for the coming year.

The Demand and Price Situation reviews the factors that affect the domestic and foreign demand for farm products including output, employment, income, commodity prices and other related factors. This is followed by a brief review of farm income and discussion of general trends in demand, supply, and prices of major farm products.

The Farm Income Situation presents estimates of cash receipts from farm marketings, by commodity groups, and Government payments; index numbers of cash receipts and of physical volume of farm marketings for several preceding months; and estimates, by States, of cash receipts from sales of crops and livestock. During the year, annual State estimates are included which show Government payments to farmers, value of home consumption for crops and livestock, gross and net income of farm operators; cash receipts and home consumption by detailed commodities; and cash receipts from farm marketings by States, by major individual commodities. Table 1 in each issue gives quarterly estimates of gross and net farm income, seasonally adjusted at annual rates.

The Marketing and Transportation Situation contains statistics on the U. S. average retail cost of a market basket of farm foods, the payment received by farmers for these products and the spread between the retail cost and farm value or payment to the farmer. Similar data are given for 7 groups of products and 47 individual food products, and also for a group of cotton clothing articles and housefurnishings and for cigarettes. Special articles concerning marketing and transportation of farm products are included in each issue.

The National Food Situation contains statistics on per capita consumption of major foods, nutrients available for civilian consumption, production of major food commodities, indexes of the annual supply and utilization of farm food commodities, retail food price indexes, and the Consumer Price Index. Reviews of supply, production, marketing, retail prices, and consumption of major foods are included. There are included from time to time special analyses relating to food consumption in the United States or particular aspects thereof.

The following commodity situation reports analyze the supply, demand, price, and outlook for each of the more important farm products for which adequate information is available. This information is provided as an aid in planning production and marketing. Tables and charts present

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<sup>6</sup>For calendar of 1963 release dates, see page 12.



current figures on acreage, yield, production, market movement, stocks, consumption, and prices, with comparisons with other significant periods. From time to time the results of special studies relating to the respective commodities are included.

The Cotton Situation  
The Dairy Situation  
The Fats and Oils Situation  
The Feed Situation  
The Fruit Situation  
The Livestock and Meat Situation

The Poultry and Egg Situation  
The Rice Situation  
The Tobacco Situation  
The Vegetable Situation  
The Wheat Situation  
The Wool Situation

The Agricultural Outlook Digest is a 2-page digest of current indications as to the outlook for production, farm employment, demand, exports, prices received by farmers, prices paid by farmers, and the outlook for various farm commodities. For the most part, it summarizes The Demand and Price Situation and the commodity situation reports. Issued the same day as The Demand and Price Situation.

1963 Calendar of Release Dates for Outlook and Situation Reports

Situation	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Cotton	31			5		7		2		3	16*	
Dairy			1		1		1		3		20*	
Demand and Price		4			2			5			18*	
Farm Cost					23						18*	
Farm Income			7	27			25				18*	
Fats & Oils		1		3		5		26			14*	
Feed		14		10	31			19			6*	
Fruit	30					27		31		30*		
Livestock & Meat	14		4		4		11	16		5	8*	
Marketing & Transportation		8			11			12			18*	
National Food		8			11			9			22*	
Poultry & Egg	26		27		29		31		25		9*	
Rice	28											
Tobacco			29			28			27*			30
Vegetable		2			3			1		31*		
Wheat			2	29		28			5*	28		
Wool			8		27			7			2*	
Outlook Digest		4			2			5			18*	

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The Farm Cost Situation, reviews the situation as to farm labor, farm power and machinery, feeds, livestock on feed or to be fed, seeds, fertilizer, building materials, containers and supplies, pesticides, land values and rentals, interest, taxes and insurance, and costs on farms of different types. Tables show index numbers for goods and services used in production; numbers of machines on farms; feed supplies in relation to livestock; retail seed prices; value of farm real estate; and in some issues, net income and total production and operating expense per dollar of gross farm income on commercial family-operated farms, by type. The outlook for farm costs in the year ahead is analyzed in the fall issue. In the spring issue, more attention is given to the effects of changing technology on farm costs.

The World Agricultural Situation, published annually in January, gives an appraisal of the world-wide state of agriculture for the calendar year just ended, and the outlook for the ensuing year. It covers the demand-supply situation by region and commodity. Important changes in prices and other developments affecting agriculture and trade are discussed. Also included are indices showing total and per capita agricultural production by country, region, and for the world, and trends for recent years. Five supplements are issued annually: 1. Western Hemisphere; 2. Western Europe; 3. Eastern Europe; 4. Far East; 5. Africa and the Middle East.

## Consumer Purchases of Citrus and Juices

Consumer Purchases of Citrus and Other Juices, issued monthly, presents estimated total consumer purchases of frozen concentrated juices, single-strength juices, canned fruit drinks, and canned grapefruit sections. These data represent projections to national totals based on reported purchases, and related information from a representative national sample of household consumers. Two annual reports are issued. One, entitled Consumer Purchases of Prune Juice by Regions and Retail Outlets, gives data for the January-March quarter, and supplements the monthly information. The other, Consumer Purchases of Citrus and Other Juices, by Family Characteristics, is developed from data appearing in the monthly reports and summarizes data for a 6-month period. It furnishes information concerning buying practices of families by geographic region, size of city, family income, family size, age of children, age and employment status of housewife, and occupation and education of family head.

## Farm Population, Manpower, and Level-of-Living Reports

Farm Population Estimates, usually issued annually, contains current estimates of the distribution of the farm population by geographic regions and divisions and estimates of the components of annual change (birth, deaths, and migration) in the farm population for the United States and for the geographic areas. From time to time, special reports are issued that contain a historical array of estimates of this type for the years from 1910 on, or which contain estimates for State for intercensal dates.

The Census-ERS Series, prepared cooperatively with the Bureau of the Census, provides annual estimates of the distribution of the farm population by age, sex, labor force status, and, at times, by other characteristics. Certain reports in this series contain information on related subjects such as farm dwellings and households, farm operators, etc. Census-ERS Series and Farm Population Estimates contain the same estimate of the total farm population of the United States for a given date but the distributions shown in each are obtained independently.

The Hired Farm Working Force, a summary report about agricultural workers in the United States, has been published for most years since 1945. The reports are based on data obtained for the Economic Research Service by the Bureau of the Census in one of its regular monthly Current Population Surveys. Information is reported for all persons 14 years of age and over in the civilian noninstitutional population of the United States who did any farm wage work during the year. The information reported includes time worked and wages earned at farm and nonfarm work by race, sex, age, duration of employment, migratory status, type of residence, and chief activities of the worker. In addition, special information is obtained in each survey on such items as educational status, total household wage earnings, and skill levels of farm labor.

Farm-Operator Family Level-of-Living Indexes for Counties of the United States is published every 5 years. The indexes are constructed from data available in the Censuses of Agriculture and are computed for the country as a whole, regions, geographic divisions, States, and State economic areas, as well as for the counties of the United States. Occasionally, as a result of national or regional surveys, special reports are prepared to show interim changes in farm-operator family levels of living and to report methodological experiments in the construction of level-of-living indexes.

## Reports on U. S. Foreign Trade in Agricultural Products

Foreign Agricultural Trade of the United States is a monthly analytical review of the foreign agricultural trade of the United States, emphasizing current status and outlook for U. S. agricultural trade, including Food-for-Peace shipments. Exports are estimated for one month later than that reported by the Bureau of the Census. Summarizes cumulative data on quantity and value from July 1 of the current year with comparisons for the corresponding period of the previous year; cumulative country totals from July 1 of the current year. Government program information consists of quantity and value totals for individual commodities and countries. Detail is provided on sales for dollars, P.L. 480 by title, CCC and Export-Import Bank credit, and total exports. Also, included are fiscal year estimates of the value of exports assisted by payments-in-kind and by sales below domestic market prices as well as estimates of the amount of export assistance paid.

## U. S. Foreign Agricultural Trade Annual Supplements:

1. Trade by Commodities is an annual supplement containing detailed tables of the quantity and value of annual exports and imports for 2 years; quantity indices of annual exports and imports for several years; and historical series.
2. Trade by Countries is an annual supplement containing detailed tables of the quantity and value of annual exports and imports of principal products for one year in commodity-by-country and country-by-commodity order. Includes country totals for all commodities and for nonagricultural items, as well as agricultural.
3. Imports of Fruits and Vegetables Under Quarantine, is a detailed annual presentation of the quantity of arrivals of fresh fruits and vegetables compiled from notices filed at ports of entry under the provisions of United States Quarantine Regulations. Includes commodity breakdowns which are not available from Bureau of the Census records. Usually issued in the fall or winter on a fiscal year basis only.

Foreign Agriculture Economics circulars are comprehensive textual and statistical analyses of the external financial position of foreign countries and of U. S. foreign trade in agricultural commodities, including information on total agricultural exports and imports, exports for dollars, and exports under Government programs.

Foreign Gold and Dollar Reserves, issued semi-annually, carries forward changes in the external financial position of foreign countries, particularly as it relates to opportunities of selling U. S. farm products abroad. It points out foreign countries with sufficient dollars or other convertible foreign exchange to buy agricultural commodities commercially; conversely it shows countries where U. S. concessional sales programs, such as Public Law 480, are warranted. It also reviews the U. S. balance of payments.

## Other ERS Periodicals

Agricultural Economics Research is published quarterly by the Economic Research Service. It is intended as a medium for the publication of technical articles which deal with methods, results, and findings of research in agricultural economics. Included are interim reports on work in progress, articles on new research methods or techniques, critical discussions of old techniques that are in regular use, and articles on new or expanding areas of research or statistical fact gathering. Discussions of techniques cover the probable usefulness of new developments and the place of such new areas of work in the agricultural field. Each issue carries current book reviews and an annotated list of recent research and statistical publications in agricultural economics issued by the Economic Research Service, the Statistical Reporting Service, and cooperating State agencies.

Free distribution of this periodical is limited chiefly to professional workers. Subscriptions may be purchased for 75 cents a year (foreign rate \$1.00). Single copies are 20 cents each. Make checks payable to the Superintendent of Documents and send order and remittance to the Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D. C.

The Farm INDEX reports in nontechnical language the results of ERS' broad research program. This material is grouped according to the special interests of farming, marketing, the foreign market, and the consumer. Regular features are a two-page digest of the agricultural outlook, a table presenting the latest figures for 50 leading indicators of economic developments in agriculture, marketing, and the general economy, and brief reviews of current ERS research publications. It is issued monthly.

Single copies of the Farm INDEX are available from the Division of Information, Management Operations Staff, U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington 25, D. C. Subscriptions are available from the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D. C. for \$2.00 a year, \$2.75 foreign.

## OTHER AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS PERIODIC REPORTS

The Checklist of Reports issued by Agricultural Economics lists ERS and SRS publications issued during the previous month. Periodicals are not included, except for annual statistical compilations. As time permits, subject-matter reference lists of publications on various AE programs are compiled and included as supplements to the Checklist.

The Agricultural Outlook Chartbook, issued each fall by the Economic Research Service, Foreign Agricultural Service, Agricultural Research Service, and Statistical Reporting Service, contains charts and maps with accompanying data and text likely to be especially useful to Extension workers and others in presenting the key factors in the economic situation and outlook for agriculture. These include highlights of the Nation's general economic situation, as well as extensive information on food supplies and consumption, farm production, costs, prices, income, expenditures, land and land values, and farmer's share of the consumer's food dollar. Numerous commodity charts show the important trends for individual crops, livestock, and livestock products. (No mailing list is maintained. Availability is announced in the Checklist.)



